

Remarks

In the outstanding Office Action, the Examiner states that the application contains claims directed to three patentably distinct species of the invention. The three species I, II, and III identified by the Examiner are those disclosed in Figure 1, Figure 2, and Figure 3, respectively. Restriction has been required under 35 U.S.C. 121 to a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits.

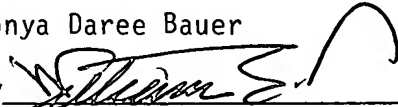
Applicant hereby elects claims 1-3, 8, and 9, which are believed readable on the Examiner's Group I species (Figure 1). Accordingly, non-elected claims 4-7, 10, and 11 have been cancelled, without prejudice.

It is believed that this application is now in condition for examination on the merits of elected claims 1-3, 8, and 9. Favorable action is accordingly solicited.

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